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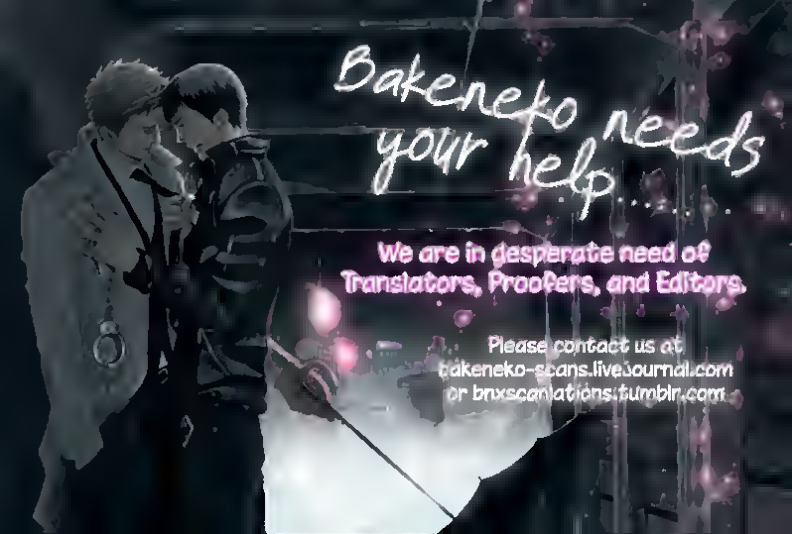
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Nozomu has come as a chaperone for his younger sister to a foreign country named Alusamito, where she has to have a marriage interview with a prince, because Nozomu's family's economical situation is bad. It turns out that the marriage partner is Nozomi's childhood friend, Laud, with which he used to play with. But Laud has changed from the nice boy he used to know, into a man who is arrogant and unlovable!! Furthermore, Laud suggests to Nozomu, who is already worried about his sister becoming only one of Laud's wives, that he should become his wife in place of his sister!? Let the romance in the desert palace begin to unfold!

The romance that blooms in the palace surrounded by sand ♥

貴公子の胸で男は溺れる

跪いて愛に焦がれろ

執事に仰せのまま

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When it comes to the Arabic setting, it makes me so happy to be able to draw a lot of accessories for the seme. I love dressing the seme up more than the uke.

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Scene.1

whaat?
WHAT WAS THAT AGAIN?
I HAVE A MARRIAGE MEETING ARRANGED
SINCE GRANDMA'S COMPANY IS IN DANGER BECAUSE OF THE DEPRESSION, THEY ASKED ME TO DO IT.
DON'T YOU THINK IT SUITS ME TO HAVE A RICH, TOP MODEL AS A PARTNER?
YOU ARE YOU ALL RIGHT WITH THAT?
that's so sudden
Well, I spend quite a lot of money, after all.
UHUH

Grandma can be so pushy
SO,
WHO'S THE ONE YOU'RE GOING TO SEE IN THE MARRIAGE INTERVIEW?
looks so good
A MULTIMILLIONAIRE FROM ARABIA HE'S THE SECOND PRINCE OF THE ALZAMI ROYAL FAMILY
HIS HIGHNESS RAUD
Raud...!
NOZOMU,
RAUD IS A CHILDHOOD FRIEND OF YOURS, ISN'T HE?
WHAT KIND OF PERSON IS HE?
If he's handsome I got really lucky
WHAT KIND OF PERSON
It's been 13 years already so

Oh?
ME?
Please!
I KNOW IT'S A BIT SUDDEN, BUT I WANT YOU TO COME WITH ME TO ARABIA
BY THE WAY, NOZOMU
If you are with me I'll feel safe, and I don't really have anyone else to ask...
IT'S A RULE IN THE KINGDOM OF ALZAMI WOMEN ARE FORBIDDEN TO ENTER THE COUNTRY ALONE
THEY ARE ONLY ALLOWED IN WHEN THERE S A MAN FROM THEIR FAMILY ACCOMPANYING THEM
Okay? Please!
UUUGH...
But
BUT I HAVE UNIVERSITY
IF IT CAN'T BE HELPED
Yaaay
When I was a child...

I accompanied my grandma, who was an internationally famous fashion designer
and visited many countries.
America,
Europe,
Asia,
and
the country known as "the Desert of the Moon"
While there, I was struck by homesickness and couldn't help but cry and cry.
sob
sob
WANNA HAVE SOME?

IT'S SWEET.
IT'S THE FRUIT OF THE PALM TREE.
DATE?
DATE.
UH...?
BITE
IT'S TRUE!
SO SWEET!

He was the first friend I made in a foreign country.
From there on, for one month
Waa!
I HAVE MANY MORE
THIS IS REALLY GOOD!
I spent all my days with him.
The day I had to return to Japan...
COME ON, NOZOMU SAY YOUR GOODBYES TO HIS HIGHNESS RAUD
THA-THANK YOU
GOODBYE
NOZOMU.

WHEN YOU GROW UP, I WILL MAKE YOU MY WIFE!
HOLD
Oh my!
YES.
An innocent promise from childhood...

I wonder if Raud...
still remembers me...
Emirates
Amazing! Amazing!
First time wearing an abaya!
Look, Nozomu! It's incredibly gorgeous!
IS THIS HIS MANSION?
As expected from a millionaire!

WHERE RE YOU GOING?
I NEED TO GO TO THE TOILET
AWW... COME BACK SOON OK?
PLEASE, WAIT HERE FOR A MOMENT
HIS HIGHNESS WILL BE HERE SHORTLY
THUD
HOT
PHEW
TOILET,
TOILET

Ah!
This place is...!
How nostalgic!
We played a lot with Raud in these galleries.
THE CEILING SEEMS TO BE LOWER NOW THAN BACK THEN
Oh! The crack in this pillar is just as it was before!
Nothing has changed...
HEY, YOU!

SORRY!
I'M NOT A SUSPICIOUS PE
Ah...
Raud!!

PAT
Raul!
PAT PAT
It's me!
Nozomu!
Long time no see! How have you been?
I FINALLY GOT MY GROWTH SPURT,
BUT EVEN WITH THAT, I'M NO MATCH FOR YOU!
DON'T...
YOU'VE BECOME REALLY TALL!

UH?
DON'T TOUCH ME SO CASUALLY
What...?
DID YOU FORGET ABOUT ME?!
WE PLAYED TOGETHER WHEN WE WERE KIDS.
TURN AWAY
—!!
BAM!

ha ha ha
IS THAT SO... HE DOESN'T REMEMBER
WHAT'S WITH THAT APPEARANCE?
EH...? APPEAR-ANCE...?
A PROSTI-TUTE...
I JUST OPENED MY SHIRT BECAUSE IT'S HOT
I'M A MAN PLUS, WHY ARE YOU PAYING THAT MUCH ATTENTION TO MY APPEARANCE ANYWAYS?
EXPOSING SKIN JUST LIKE A PROSTITUTE
WHAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH HIM?
ARE YOU STUPID?

STUPID?
...?
THAT HURT!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, ALL OF A SUDDEN?!
IN THIS COUNTRY,
NEITHER MEN NOR WOMEN EXPOSE THEIR SKIN WHEN THEY BECOME ADULTS.
He's strong!
...UGH
IF YOU WENT OUT FOR A WALK LIKE THIS...

Uh...?
RAUD, WAI-!
PUSH
STOP!

BE
MORE
CAREFUL

THIS IS YOUR ROOM

Waaaaah! How beautiful! It seems like something right out of Arabian Nights!
IF THERE IS ANYTHING YOU NEED, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL ME
MICHIRU, LET'S GO BACK TO JAPAN.
AW! WHY? DIDN'T WE JUST ARRIVE?
I DON'T WANT TO GO BACK!

I RAN INTO HIM AFTER ALL THIS TIME, AND HE'S BECOME A REALLY SUSPICIOUS GUY.
I WON'T GIVE YOU TO THAT MAN!
Eah?
YOU THINK SO?
HE DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING, BUT TO ME HE SEEMED VERY GENTLEMANLY
THAT'S EXACTLY THE TYPE OF MAN YOU NEED TO BE EXTRA CAREFUL WITH!
knock knock
The third wife of the first prince...
SHE'S THE THIRD WIFE OF THE FIRST PRINCE
AZIZAH?
Ah, it's Azizah
WAIT FOR A MOMENT PLEASE!
SHE WAS SO KIND AS TO INVITE US TO DINNER

HE'S GOT MORE THAN ONE WIFE?
THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT
I'M QUITE SURE, I DON'T THINK SHE WAS THE SECOND
slurp
mmm
WAIT A MOMENT DID YOU SAY THE THIRD WIFE ?
DING
Well, they have polygamy here, right?
THEY ARE HONOURING ANCIENT CUSTOMS, PERHAPS?
I don't know much about it though
BUT THE ROYAL FAMILY IS STILL POLYGAMOUS
WASN'T THAT SOME ANCIENT EVIL CUSTOM?

I WONDER WHAT NUMBER I WILL BE
NOW THAT I THINK OF IT,
CLENCH
What number, you say...
we have to talk!!
RAUD!
How can I allow this to happen?
SLAM

I-
I WANT TO ASK YOU
ABOUT MICHIRU.
WHAT IS IT?
YES.
THIS IS IT FOR NOW RETIRE..
.....

WHAT NUMBER ARE YOU GOING TO PLACE HER AMONGST YOUR WIVES?
WHAT NUMBER?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
DON'T PLAY DUMB!
BAM
MICHIRU IS MY PRECIOUS LITTLE SISTER
I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO CAGE HER IN A HAREM.
IF YOU WANT TO MARRY HER, YOU'LL HAVE TO BE CLEAN YOURSELF FIRST.
SIGH
!
DON'T YOU GO SIGHING ON ME!
I'M BEING SERIOUS HER-
PULL

BLAM
.....!
YOU PROBABLY DON'T KNOW THIS BUT,

IN THIS COUNTRY, AS LONG AS WE LOVE OUR WIVES EQUALLY,
WE ARE ALLOWED TO HAVE MANY OF THEM.
AN OUTSIDER LIKE YOU SHOULD NOT TALK LIKE THIS ABOUT OUR MATTERS
I WON'T SIT BACK AND WATCH MY SISTER BECOMING UNHAPPY!
IF THAT'S THE CASE, WILL YOU BE THE ONE TO DO IT?

THE ONE TO BECOME MY WIFE?
Next

Scene.2

I'm...being kissed...?
"Then will you become..."
"My wife?"
ME!!?

DID YOU
FORGET ABOUT THE PROMISE?
HUH?
PROMISE?
"WHEN I'M OLDER, I'LL MAKE YOU MY BRIDE!"
OH

Gloom
.....
Well
IT CAN'T BE THAT YOU'RE REFERRING TO THE PROMISE ABOUT "MAKING YOU MY BRIDE"
IS IT THAT PROMISE?
WHAT OTHER PROMISE IS THERE?
He's joking right!?

STARE
Oh
THAT'S JUST A PROMISE MADE BETWEEN KIDS. IT HAS NO MEANING!
WHO ACTUALLY BELIEVES IN THOSE?
PLOP
Those eyes are serious!!

WHAT'S WRONG NOZOMU-CHAN?
NOTHING
I don't believe it!
He still remembers that promise?
It's a joke right? There's definitely something wrong with him!
HEY MICHIRU, ARE YOU NOT GOING BACK TO JAPAN?
NO. I'VE COME TO LIKE IT HERE
BESIDES, DID YOU FORGET ABOUT GRANDMA? SHE'LL BE DEVASTATED IF THE COMPANY COLLAPSES
Argh
FORGET ABOUT THAT AND LET'S GO TO SLEEP
Okay?

KISS
GOOD NIGHT NOZOMU-CHAN
I'M GOING TO SLEEP MICHIRU!
THAT'S WHY I SAID GOOD NIGHT...
MICHIRU...?
IT'S RARE FOR YOU TO WAKE UP EARLIER THAN ME...
Nnh, so bright...
SHUFFLE
NGH...

HUH
ARRGH!
MORNING

THAT SCARED ME!
I made a weird noise
IT'S BREAKFAST. I'LL GUIDE YOU
I CAN GO BY MYSELF TO THE DINING ROOM
DO YOU GUYS ALWAYS SLEEP LIKE THAT?
WHAT!?
Don't change the topic so suddenly!
I'M ASKING IF YOU ALWAYS SLEEP WITH YOUR SISTER
I DO SO?
...WHAT IS IT?

Huh?
stroke
grab
YOU'RE COLD
.....

WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
SNAP
Ah
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE SHOWING YOUR BELLY
IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE DRESSED LIKE THAT
screech
fu
Huh... somehow ...
Turn
WHAT?
Damn, I won't let my guard down
STARE -
...PUNCH.
GET OUT! YOU PER-VERT!!
SHOULD I HELP YOU CHANGE?

MORNING NOZOMU-CHAN
NING
sigh
What's with him!?
plop

Silence

RAIJO, DON'T YOU THINK THERE ARE MANY OTHER SEATS?
TODAY, I'LL SIT HERE.

.....
Pass
GEEZ, JUST IGNORE HIM!
WHERE'S THE BUTTER?
GASP
Usually he never moves anything from the left.
Prince Kaoul passed the butter!
THIS IS HASAN AND SHEWD.
I AM PRINCE KAID'S SECRETARY, ZAID.
This is uncomfortable!
THESE TWO WILL LOOK AFTER YOU

Oh
THAT'S RIGHT!
HIS MAJESTY WILL RETURN IN A WEEK.
UNTIL THEN, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO LIVE IN THE PALACE
YOU'RE FREE TO GO OUTSIDE AS WELL. BUT IF YOU GO TO THE MARKET, PLEASE BE CAREFUL.
WE ARE [illegible] IN THE SERVANT'S ROOM.
OKAY
THE MARKET ISN'T AS SAFE AS THE PALACE.
KYA
WHAT ABOUT TODAY, NOZOMU-CHAN?
HM. I'LL REST IN THE ROOM I THINK.
IT HURTS!
GEEZ LOOK WHERE YOU'RE WALKING!
ARGH!
Uwaaa
MY FAVOURITE DRESS!
Oh dear don't cry
YOU CAN'T HELP IT. HERE, SHOW ME

JUMP
THIS IS BAD
WHERE DID YOU APPEAR FROM!?
ZAID
YES
FETCH MISS MICHIRU NEW CLOTHES.
YES
Oh, is that really alright?
M
MICHIRU IF IT'S THAT MUCH THEN I CAN FIX IT FOR YOU
THANK YOU SO MUCH PRINCE
MICHIRU!
BY THE WAY PRINCE
ARE YOU FREE TODAY?

Damn you Raud!!!
kya kya
Is this all for me?
YES THE PRINCE SAID THAT IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT THEN ASK WITHOUT HESITATION

SO BEAUTIFUL...!
Sigh,
SPENDING MONEY CARELESSLY
Kyaa! Could this be Manolo?
Oh, this is GUSSH.I's new piece!
I HAVE NO SUCH INTERESTS
Although not to this extent
OH DURING THE BUBBLE PERIOD, GRANDMOTHER WAS ALSO LIKE THIS
Humph
Leave me alone!
Geez... you're so plain
UM, YOU CAN'T WEAR THESE TYPES OF CLOTHES AZIZAH-SAN?
Smile
Smile
Hehe
Oh
I AM WEARING IT WE'RE ALLOWED TO WEAR ANYTHING UNDERNEATH THIS BLACK CLOAK

okay to dress cute!
inside the cloak it's
TO EVERYONE, THIS BLACK CLOAK LOOKS UNCOMFORTABLE
Here
Oh
That's right
THAT'S WHY IN THIS COUNTRY, THE MEN DRESS UP AND THE WOMEN GET TO CHOOSE. WE HIDE OUR BODIES SO WE CAN WANDER ROUND FREELY WITHOUT WORRYING ABOUT MEN'S EYES.
THAT'S WHY IN THIS COUNTRY WOMEN CHOOSE THE MEN BASED ON THEIR LOOKS.
THAT'S WHY THE MEN HERE ARE ALL BEAUTIFUL!
GLARE
I THINK THAT PRINCE RAUD'S BEAUTY
IS HIS SECRET INNER STRENGTH
AND OUT OF ALL OF THEM, PRINCE RAUD IS THE BEST!
SMILE

WHEN HE WAS LITTLE, BEFORE HE MET YOU...
HIS SECRET INNER STRENGTH?
PRINCE RAUD'S MOTHER HAD A WEAK BODY AND..
The King had 3 wives
He tried to love them equally, but..
MOTHER!
PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME!
MOTHER
IT SEEMS HE'S COMING HERE...
HE'S IN THE FIRST WIFE'S ROOM RIGHT NOW...
RUSTLE RUSTLE
IS THE KING NOT BACK YET?
drop
RAUD...
SQUEEZE
WHEN YOUR FATHER COMES
PLEASE TELL HIM I SAID "I LOVE YOU"

MOTHER...!
I WONDER IF THOSE WORDS WERE THE TRIGGER.
FOR PRINCE RALID TO SAY THAT "I WILL ONLY MARRY 1 PERSON IN MY LIFE"
HE'S WAITING FOR THE ONE PERSON DESTINED FOR HIM
One person in my life
destined for him...
.....
KYA! IT'S SO ROMANTIC!
kya
kya
DON'T YOU THINK SO? IN SPITE OF MYSELF, MY HEART ALSO JUMPS.

This is really bad, isn't it!?
I'LL MAKE YOU MY BRIDE
DID YOU FORGET THAT PROMISE?

OH, PRINCE!
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE CLOTHES
IS THAT THE DRESS?
YES
WHERE'S NOZOMU?
HE JUST LEFT A MOMENT AGO
YES, IT IS THAT RIPPED DRESS NOZOMU FIXED IT FOR ME
HE'S MORE DELICATE WITH HIS FINGERS THAN ME
splash
IT'S COLD..

WHEN I LAST CAME THERE WASN'T A POOL, BUT
IT FEELS NICE...
I SHOULD BE HAPPY THAT HE'S NOT INTERESTED IN MICHIRU, BUT...
HMM
I don't want to give Michiru to that weird guy.
Whether or not it's good, his target is me.
I don't want to think about it

OH...
THE MOON...
These past 16 years...
Was he thinking about me here...?

RAUD!
AGAIN WITH THAT APPEAR-ANCE
EVEN IF IT'S A DESERT, IT GETS COLD AT NIGHT
HERE, GIVE ME YOUR FEET.
.....
HURRY
.....
Shiver
Huh
IT'S FINE
.....

IS IT ALRIGHT FOR KING'S SON TO BE DOING THIS?
YOU'RE SPECIAL.
Squeeze
STOP IT!

Why do you still believe in that promise?
YOU AND I KNOW NOTHING ABOUT EACH OTHER ANYWAY!
BESIDES WE'RE BOTH GUYS AND WE HAVEN'T SEEN EACH OTHER FOR 16 YEARS!
Why...?
I'M NOT YOUR SPECIAL ONE.
I
WE CAN START TO LEARN NOW

I CAN'T ACCEPT YOUR FEELINGS
WELL THEN, THE TALK ABOUT INVESTING IN YOUR GRANDMOTHER IS OVER
Huh...?
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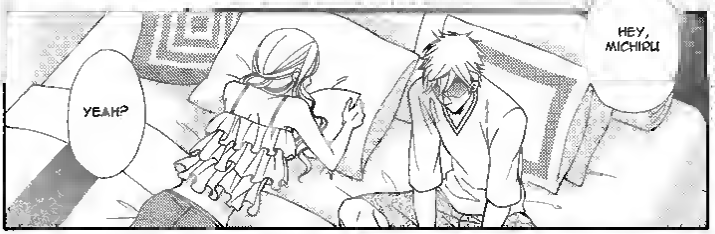
Scene.3

WELL THEN THE TALK ABOUT INVESTING IN YOUR GRANDMOTHER IS OVER.
HUH
IF YOU AREN'T GOING TO BECOME MY WIFE THEN THERE'S NO POINT IN THE LOAN.
YOU CAN'T...
RAUD!


HEY, MICHIRU
YEAH?

IF RAUD DOESN'T GIVE GRANDMA'S COMPANY A LOAN
WHAT, THIS AGAIN?
What'll happen?
It's bad, right?
grab
SOMEONE WILL DIE.

Grandma
Sob...
MORNING ZAID
!
What on earth should I do?
GOOD MORNING, NOZOMU-SAMA
Good morning! Prince
JUMP
grip
MORNING
silence
Hmm?
WHAT'S WRONG? BOTH OF YOU...

He's ignoring me
WHAT?
Mor
NING
AFTER THINKING IT OVER LAST NIGHT, HAVE YOU MADE YOUR DECISION?
WHAT'S HE TALKING ABOUT?
? ?
NOZOMU IS...
!!
SHOCK

CLAMP
That reminds me, Michiru...
Weren't you saying you wanted to go to the market?
Y-YEAH
Right
Then let's go!
Let's go now!
.....
Hun?
NOW?
IT'S DANGEROUS IF YOU TWO GO BY YOURSELVES
PUSH
PUSH
don't push me
I'M A MAN SO IT'S ALRIGHT!
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS I'LL CALL WITH MY CELL
Just us siblings, right Michiru?

I want to be away from Raud...
You're so cruel, Nozomu-chan!
I won't... to ruin my brother... lost...
Well, but in the market okay!
Glance
Well then I want kebab
Sure sure
Just for a short while is fine.
BUZZ
BUZZ
Look Nozomu!

buzz
buzz
THAT MOUNTAIN OF SPICES HAS A NICE SCENT—
WHAT'S OVER THERE?
OH, HEY MICHIRU!
kya kya
Kya
Such a lovely Pashmina stall!
HEY, MICHIRU
DON'T GO TOO FAR AWAY FROM ME
la la la
Okay!
kya
There's all lovely!

I want to save grandma's company.
But does that mean I'll be able to marry Raudi?
LADY, WE HAVE MORE FIRST-CLASS PRODUCTS INSIDE
What, really?
If we marry then obviously...
BLUSH
WHAT IN THIS ROOM?
THAT'S RIGHT IT'S ALRIGHT GO IN GO IN
What am I thinking!!
Because that guy says weird things all the time, I'm also turning weird
gloom
KYAA!!

HELP, NO-ZOMU-CHAN!
MICHIRU!
STOP IT!
THIS GUY FORCED ME TO...
YOU...
LET GO OF...
PUNCH
MY SISTER!!

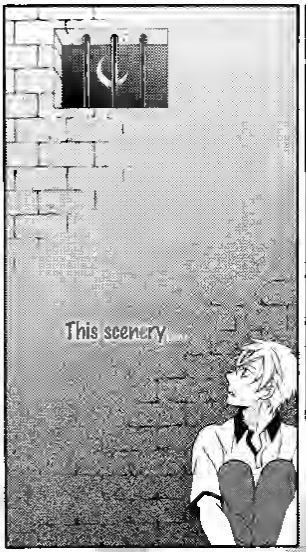
dash
GO!
MICHIRU, GO TO THE MAIN STREET
whisper
whisper
NOZOMU-CHAN!
MICHIRU!
YOU'RE SLOW SO GO AHEAD
OH... BUT...
I'LL BE RIGHT BEHIND YOU
RUN!!
THUNK
THUD
I WON'T LET YOU TOUCH MICHIRU!
THUD

COLLAPSE.
ZAID!
ZAID, HELP!!
GRAB
WHAT HAPPENED!?
COME QUICK. NOZOMU IS...!

Oh
THAT'S RIGHT. I TRIED TO SAVE MICHIRU THEN I GOT KNOCKED OUT...
throb
throb
OW
WHERE AM I?
THROB
NN
What...
WHAT IS THIS?!
A PRISON!?
SOMEONE!
CLATTER
HELP ME!
HEY! SOME-ONE!!

YOU ARE THE GUY FROM THE SHOP...
AH
SHUT UP!
LET ME OUT OF HERE!!
MUNCH
MUNCH
IN REALITY, A GIRL WILL SELL FOR A HIGHER PRICE BUT IT CAN'T BE HELPED
TOMORROW, YOU'RE GOING TO BE SOLD AS A SLAVE
JUST GIVE UP AND SAY YOU HAD BAD LUCK
BUT EVEN A GUY WILL SELL
OH, HEY!!

DON'T FOOL WITH ME. LET ME OUT!!
silence
DAMN
I HAVE TO ESCAPE SOMEHOW
MICHIRU.. DID SHE GET BACK SAFELY?
HUH
IT'S GONE!
THEY TOOK IT AWAY!
THAT'S RIGHT! I'LL CALL RAIJI WITH MY PHONE..
OH



I've seen this...

SCRAPE
ah
WHO DID IT?
I DID IT
ME
IT WAS ME!

silence
BOTH OF YOU REFLECT ON YOUR ACTIONS
SLAM
WHY DID YOU SAY YOU DID IT?
.....
HE
?
Hunene
BUT I'M THE ONE WHO DID IT!
BECAUSE WE WERE BOTH PLAYING.
YOU HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH IT!

Hahaha
PEFT
Oh...
Oh
Hahaha
THAT WAS FUN
SHE DIDN'T KNOW WHO DID IT AND LOOKED CONFUSED
Hehehe
Th
that's true
I've never seen such a face
he
WHO THE CULPRIT WAS WILL BE OUR LITTLE SECRET. OKAY?
OKAY

Perhaps the things that I've forgotten...
I'd forgotten.
Raud still remembers them clearly...
CLATTER
OH
YOU'RE STILL AWAKE
STOP
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
Hey you
PULL

RAUD!
Squeeze
STOP RIGHT THERE.
HELP ME!
SOMEONE!
STOP... IT!
STROKE
TOUCH
YOU HAVE A NICE BODY

GET YOUR DISGUSTING HANDS OFF HIM
Raud!!

Oh...
YES
GRAB HIM
OTHERWISE, I'LL CUT YOUR EAR OFF.
Squeeze
Hug

I'M REALLY GLAD!
NOZOMU...!
Squeeze
I'M GLAD
tilt
LEAN

WE
NOZOMU
KISSED
WHERE WERE YOU TOUCHED BY THAT MAN?
HUH? MY CHEST? AND MY STOMACH
AROUND HERE?
stroke
stroke

WHERE THE HELL ARE YOU TOUCH-ING!!?
Nozomu-chan!
I'm so glad you're safe
Michiru!
PRINCE RAUD WAS DEAD SET ON FINDING YOU, YOU KNOW
IT SEEMS HE ACTUALLY HAD SOME IMPORTANT WORK THOUGH
Raud...
NOZOMU
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
RAUD

UM
CAN I STAY HERE A BIT LONGER?
CAN YOU GIVE ME SOME TIME?
YOU'RE QUIET, SO IT'S HARD TO UNDER-ST..ND YOU.
I STILL DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT YOU.
I UNDER-STAND

I HAVEN'T SAID I'LL MARRY YOU!
ALRIGHT
HUH?
ABOUT THE CEREMONY, POSTPONE IT FOR NEXT MONTH
ZAID
Yes
Hey!
THEN ABOUT THE GREETINGS FOR MY RELATIVES...
LISTEN TO WHAT PEOPLE HAVE TO SAY!!
Next

Scene.4

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...
NOZOMU
YOU DON'T LIKE IT?

BRING SOMETHING ELSE
TAKE IT AWAY
WA!
I'LL EAT IT, I'LL EAT IT!
silence
CHEW
SHIT.
YOU'RE AWFULLY QUICK TO WASTE THINGS
BUT IT'S SUCH A WASTE
THAT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE YOU'RE A ROYAL AND YOU'RE USED TO LUXURY.

BEFORE YOUR GRANDMOTHER'S COMPANY WENT BANKRUPT, YOU ALSO LIVED IN PROSPERITY
WHY ARE YOU SO ANNOYING?
I JUST WANT TO LIVE A NORMAL LIFE
AVERAGE, I TELL YOU
IT'S ACTUALLY BETTER TO BE AVERAGE
Oh! This is good!
stare
notice
WHAT?
fu

SQUEEZE

LICK
r u s t l e
THANKS FOR THE FOOD
You had something on your face
Ha?
...
YOU... JUST DO IT NORMALLY!!
SHOCK
LOOK AT YOUR SURROUNDINGS!!

kiss
...fu...
ha
IS THIS OK?

I STILL DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT YOU
CAN I STAY HERE A BIT LONGER?
From then on, he started to act overbearing.
I went with the flow and once again I'm feeling miserable...
He
RAUD!
blush

LONG TIME NO SEE, RAUD!
AH, YOU'RE THE ONE I HEARD RUMOURS ABOUT. THE ONE FROM JAPAN
YOU HAVE NEGLECTED TO VISIT ME, UNCLE
NICE TO MEET YOU, I'M HIIRAGI NOZOMU
I SEE
BY THE WAY RAUD,
THE REASON WHY I CAME HERE TODAY... CAN WE SPEAK ALONE?
I WANT TO SPEAK WITHOUT ANY PRYING EYES
HERE?
WHAT'S WITH THAT STARE...?
?

I DON'T WANT HIM BUTTING IN
CLICK
WHY DID HE SAY THAT!?
HE WAS REALLY MEAN
I THOUGHT THAT EVERYONE FROM THE ROYAL FAMILY WOULD BE MORE LIKE RAUD BUT HE'S THE EXCEPTION!
giggle
giggle
giggle
IT'S RARE TO SEE YOU PRAISE THE PRINCE, NOZOMU-CHAN
WHAT?
giggle
giggle
giggle
I... I DIDN'T... PRAISE HIM...!!
BE THAT AS IT MAY, THAT UNCLE...

WHAT DID HE WANT TO TALK ABOUT WITH THE PRINCE?
HUH
I HEARD SOME RUMOURS FROM AZIZ-SH
HE GAVE HIS DAUGHTER TO THE FIRST PRINCE IN ORDER FOR HER TO BECOME THE QUEEN BUT THE PRINCE REFUSED
THERE ARE RUMOURS THAT HE'S A POWER HUNGRY AND VIOLENT PERSON
I'M SOMEHOW WORRIED THAT
THERE HAVE BEEN RUMOURS THAT PEOPLE CLOSE TO HIM SOMETIMES DIE A MYSTERIOUS DEATH...
A PERSON LIKE THAT IS NEAR PRINCE RAUD
KNOCK
KNOCK

WA!
RAUD!
PULL
WHAT DO YOU WANT? HEY!
GOOD LUCK
Put me down. Loud!
What are you doing so suddenly!
...!
thud

FROM TODAY ON YOU'RE SLEEPING IN MY QUARTERS
HUH? WHY ?
YOU SAID THAT YOU WANTED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ME, RIGHT?
I DID... SAY THAT, BUT...
WIGGLE WIGGLE
BUT I DIDN'T MEAN WE SHOULD SLEEP TOGETHER!

eighty
I WON'T DO ANY-THING
LET'S JUST STAY LIKE THIS
SQUEEZE
WE'LL JUST SLEEP

I'M JUST TOUCHING YOU
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WOULDN'T DO ANY-THING?
slide
pop open
slide
Oi!

IF YOU DO THESE THINGS THEN I'LL RETURN TO MY ROOM
I WANT TO FORGET THE MOMENTS WHEN YOU WEREN'T NEAR ME
LET ME MAKE SURE THAT
YOU'RE REALLY HERE
saying that with such a serious face...
He's... the worst...

This is bad...
BA THUMP
BA THUMP
My heart is pounding really fast...
BA THUMP
BA THUMP
BA THUMP
BA THUMP
TREMBLE
Although he does what he likes
he's breaking the rules by touching me so tenderly.
glance

BA THUMP
BA THUMP
blush
SHOVE
NOZOMU?
Why am I so excited!?
HUH!?
WA!
!!
PANIC
PANIC
EH??

IT REALLY SEEMS
THAT I CAN'T SLEEP IF MICHIRU ISN'T NEXT TO ME.
I'M RETURNING TO MY ROOM
CLOSE
ba thump
ba thump
ba thump
ba thump

MICHIRU ALSO WANTS TO GO!
NO
WHY? IT'S OK
I'll go too.
IN THIS COUNTRY, THERE ARE RULES THAT STATE THAT WOMEN AND MEN GO TO PLACES SEPARATELY
AND BEING WITH A WOMAN IN A PUBLIC PLACE IS SHAMEFUL
What will I do...?
YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO SAY IT LIKE THAT
NOZOMU-CHAN, ARE YOU GOING OUT WITH THE PRINCE?
NOZOMU-CHAN
I DON'T CARE FOR THIS COUNTRY'S RULES
I WON'T GO OUT TODAY. I'LL STAY WITH MICHIRU

MICHIRU
YES
TELL AZIZAH TO SHOW YOU AROUND
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
DO WHAT YOU LIKE.
Clink
NEE NOZAWA-CHAN
NNN?
WILL HE MEET HIS UNCLE TODAY?
IT SEEMS SO
I WONDER IF HE'S OK.
I HOPE HE DOESN'T INVOLVE HIMSELF IN STRANGE THINGS.
STRANGE THINGS?

WHAT?
HE DOESN'T SEEM LIKE THE TYPE TO DO THAT
He seems to really respect his older.
IF HIS UNCLE DEFEATS THE FIRST PRINCE,
HE MIGHT CONSPIRE WITH RAUD TO MAKE HIM THE NEXT HEIR TO THE THRONE
HIS UNCLE MIGHT SEDUCE HIM WITH FLATTERY
YEAH, HE MIGHT NOT BE LIKE THAT. BUT
HE'S TOGETHER WITH ZAID, SO HE'S ALRIGHT.
HMM...
SOMEHOW, I'M GETTING A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS
BUT IF HE DOESN'T DO AS HIS UNCLE SAYS, HIS LIFE WILL BE IN DANGER, RIGHT?

But if he doesn't do as his uncle says, his life will be in danger, right?
SQUEEZE
I'M LEAVING FOR A BIT
HUH? NOZOMU-CHAN?
NOW THEN

WHATEVER I SAY WON'T SWAY YOU TO COME TO MY SIDE?
YES
YOU HAVE THE RESOLUTION TO HINDER MY PATH, IS IT NOT SO?
YES
IT SEEMS I CAN ONLY GIVE UP.
THEN THERE'S NOTHING I CAN DO

THAT'S TOO BAD. I THOUGHT THAT YOU HAD A BIGGER BACK GONE, BUT ALAS
UNCLE,
I HOPE THAT YOU WILL NOT BE DESTROYED BY YOUR EXAGGERATED PAST DESIRES
NOZOMU..!
RAIJ!
YOU AS WELL UNCLE.
RAIJ. MAY YOU HAVE A PEACEFUL LIFE*

*TN: an Arabic greeting that translates as "May peace be upon you", usually used as a good day, but I thought this might be more dramatic

DID YOU FOLLOW ME?
N... NO...
NO. I JUST HAD TO BUY SOMETHING NEAR HERE, SO I HAPPENED TO SEE YOU.
IS THAT SO?

SO LET'S STOP SOMEWHERE ALONG THE ROAD?
NO, LET'S GO STRAIGHT BACK
Why did you look at me like that...?
Next

Scene.5

NO, I JUST HAD TO BUY SOMETHING NEAR HERE, SO I HAPPENED TO SEE YOU.
DID YOU FOLLOW ME?
hah

KYAA!
WHAT HAPPENED?
RAUD!
THE ROOM...

WHAT IS THIS?
THIS...
ZAID
YES
FIND OUT WHO DID THIS IMMEDIATELY
I UNDERSTAND

Shock
PLACE
IT'S ALRIGHT
MICHIRU, GO WITH AZIZAH.
NOZOMU WILL STAY IN MY ROOM
HUH?
PLEASE AZIZAH
YES
WAIT A MINUTE! AZIZAH'S ROOM HAS ONLY WOMEN IN IT!
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS, WILL THEY BE ALRIGHT?
NOZOMU-CHAN
LET'S GO.
MICHIRU

NOZOMU!
YOU WERE THE INTENDED TARGET.
HUH...
ME...?

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? EXPLAIN!
YOU'VE HEARD THE RUMOURS SURROUNDING MY UNCLE, RIGHT?
THAT'S HE'S A RUTHLESS PERSON
HE'S THE ONE THAT TOLD ME TO BECOME THE HEIR TO THE THRONE WHEN THE FIRST PRINCE LOSES HIS POSITION
SURELY YOU REFUSED, RIGHT?
YES
SO THE HATRED STEMS FROM THERE...
BUT WHY ME?

FEAR
I was the target...
HE HAS THE SENSE OF SMELL OF A BEAST.
HE CAN SEE THAT NOZOMU IS MY WEAKNESS
IS THAT SO.
THEN IT WOULD BE BETTER IF I AND MICHIRU ARE NOT TOGETHER
IT'LL BE TOO LATE IF SOMETHING HAPPENS
Ah...
Shit...
NONETHELESS, USING SUCH UNDER-HANDED METHODS,
YOUR UNCLE REALLY IS CRUEL.
Shit... I need to relax!
CLENCH

squeeze
What are you doing Raul!?
Not at a time like this!
pull

Rau!
brush
tremble
tremble
slurp
slurp
ha
ha

hug
SORRY.
IF I HAD THOUGHT 'BOUT YOUR SAFETY, I WOULD HAVE SENT YOU BACK TO JAPAN WITHOUT A SECOND THOUGHT.
I...
THIS HAPPENED BECAUSE OF ME...

Ah...
I DON'T WANT TO LET YOU GO...!
I was scared just a while ago, but
I'm fine now.
brush
reach
RAUD,
YOU HAVE NOTHING TO APOLOGIZE FOR.

I'M HERE ON MY OWN FREE WILL.
NOZOMU!

IF YOU GO SOMEWHERE IN THE MANSION, YOU DO SO WITH BODY-GUARDS
YOU UNDER-STAND?
YOU ARE PROHIBITED TO GO OUTSIDE
Erm...
RAUD,
AREN'T YOU TOO CLOSE?
SQUISHED TOGETHER

Yes, you are!!
There's enough space for the both of us.
AM I?
It's weird when you're this close
Don't forget your surroundings
Hm
ctually, I would rather you sit on my lap.
WH!?
blush
look away
H... He's...!!
SCREAMING
nobody!!
THIS CAME THIS MORNING FROM THE FIRST PRINCE
THE COFFEE IS MADE FROM GOOD QUALITY BEANS SO HE SAID IT SHOULD BE GIVEN TO RAIJO-SAMA

IT SMELLS GREAT!
HAVEN'T SEEN HIM BEFORE
WAIT, NOZOMU
HMM?
I'LL DRINK THAT COFFEE
You can drink your own
EH WHY?
JUST GIVE IT TO ME

SWALLOW
I'M RETURNING FOR THE NIGHT.
OK
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS CALL ME IMMEDIATELY
OK, OK
RAUD?
.....
SWAY
COLLAPSE
RAUD!?

SOMEONE!! CALL A DOCTOR!!
RAUD...!!
RUN
RUN
QUICK! GIVE HIM THE ANTI-DOTE...!
What should I do...?
Why did it come to this....

Raud...
Raud drank it instead of me
HIS FACE IS PALE

NOZOMU-SAMA
HE'LL GET BETTER BY NIGHTFALL, BECAUSE HE GOT THE ANTI-DOTE
PLEASE, GO REST WHILE...
IS IT ALRIGHT IF I STAY HERE?
NOZOMU-SAMA...
I WANT TO STAY BY RAWD'S SIDE
IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO RAWD
I...!!

NOZOMU-SAMA
RAUD-SAMA HAS A TOLERANCE AGAINST POISON HE'LL BE ALRIGHT...
HUH...?
WHEN THERE'S HUGE FORTUNES AND POWER INVOLVED,
THE ROYAL FAMILIES FEUDS ARE ENDLESS
THAT'S WHY, SINCE HIS YOUTH HE HAS DRANK LITTLE DOSES OF DIFFERENT POISONS TO BUILD IMMUNITY TO THEM
Drinks poison...!
touch
ha

been living in this type of world...
You've...
I'll become your support.
squeeze
THE PRINCE USED HIS BODY AS A SHIELD TO SAVE ME
Was it like that since the beginning?

I don't want to
squeeze
So, please wake up.
lose you. !

NN
TWITCH
NOZOMU !
NN

BABBLE
How are you feeling!? Does it hurt anywhere!?
NO
If youre not feeling well, I'll call the doctor right this instant !
I'M OK
RAUD!
YOU WOKE UP!?
shock
eyes open
phew
I'M...
I'M GLAD

YOU DRANK MY COFFEE
THAT'S HOW YOU WERE POISONED
I CALLED ZAID AND WE MANAGED TO DISPOSE OF IT. BUT YOU LOST CONSCIOUSNESS AND YOU DIDN'T WAKE UP AT ALL.
CLENCH
SO I...
.....
ISN'T THAT OBVIOUS!?
I WAS SO WORRIED !!
WERE YOU HERE ALL THIS TIME?

IS THAT SO?
blush
Ah... I'll find a change of clothes for you!
GRAB
tadaa
YOUR CLOTHES ARE ALL SWEATY. YOU NEED TO CHANGE!
Somehow, I just got really embarrassed!
WOW!

THUD
RAUD!?
BE QUIET

SLIDE
slurp
....
lick
lick
SHUDDER
Wa!
mn ah!
Wait! Raul

NOZOMU
I LOVE YOU!
...tremble
ah!
KNOCK KNOCK
Your Highness!
Nozomu-chan!

I brought a change of clothes and something to eat!
HMM? WHAT WERE YOU DOING? THE 2 OF YOU
No- No- No- NOTHING!!
LET'S EAT!
THEY FINALLY CAUGHT THE PERPETRATOR, BUT
HE DIDN'T LEAD THEM TO THE MASTERMIND
HE GOT AWAY THIS TIME.
BUT NEXT TIME, WE'LL DEFINITELY CATCH HIM.

BY THE WAY, DO YOU WANT ANOTHER CUP?
NO
HOW ABOUT SWEETS?
NO NEED
THEN HOW ABOUT A KISS?
blush
YEAH
smirk
smirk
THEN THERE'S NO HELPING IT
Next

千夜一夜ロマネスク

NN?
NOZOMU
WHAT?
Sigh
YET AGAIN, YOU'RE DRESSED LIKE THAT
Scene. 5.5
I'M INSIDE MY ROOM, SO IT DOESN'T MATTER
It's hot
THAT'S NOT A GOOD ENOUGH EXCUSE
THE SERVANTS CAN SEE YOU
YOU MAY LEAVE
YES

Don't think about it so much. You're making a big deal about nothing
pat pat
ARE YOU REALLY JEALOUS OF THE SERVANTS?
PUU
Mm...
Ie?

RAUD...?
YOU HAVE BEAUTIFUL HANDS.
AND WHEN I TOUCH YOU MORE,
I WANT TO KNOW MORE.
PULL
...!?
SHIVE
TOUCHING THEM,
I GET THIS URGE TO TOUCH YOU MORE.

blush
!!
kiss
bite
bite
No
lick
Raud
THEY'RE SO PINK
rub rub
kiss
kiss
kiss
Mm
tremble
tremble
ah!

PUSH
AFTER I TASTE YOU,
Ha
I WANT TO STRIP YOU NAKED
YOU'RE HARD
Shut up!!

DO YOU UNDER-STAND?
YOU DON'T NOTICE HOW OTHER MEN LOOK AT YOU
STROKE
STROKE
STROKE
STROKE
tremble
tremble
mm
ha
ha
Cu. mming
tremble
STROKE
STROKE

splurt
ha
nn nnn!
OK, NOZOMU
SLIP ON
FROM NOW ON YOU'LL DRESS PROPERLY EVEN IN YOUR OWN ROOM
SHAKE
SHAKE
NOZ-OMU?
DON'T COME INTO MY ROOM AGAIN!!!
WHY?
End

Bakneko Scanlations

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